



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 7, 2018. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 10 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 14 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 57.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Pochontas to 71.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Rowher. Highs ranged from 79.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Winslow to 92.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Precipitation was scarce throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the southeast part of the State with an average of 0.45 inch.

Crop progress for week ending October 7, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, harvested	93	86	99	98
Cotton, open bolls	100	99	99	95
Cotton, harvested	45	23	26	24
Peanuts, dug	24	9	58	(NA)
Peanuts, harvested	7	1	18	(NA)
Rice, harvested	88	77	93	84
Sorghum, harvested	97	94	99	93
Soybeans, turning color	93	89	95	91
Soybeans, dropping leaves	81	71	90	81
Soybeans, mature	68	51	79	69
Soybeans, harvested	32	20	60	49
Winter wheat, planted	18	3	17	12
Winter wheat, emerged	3	1	5	4

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending October 7, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton	1	3	16	40	40
Hay, alfalfa	3	5	70	22	0
Hay, other	3	10	33	47	7
Livestock	1	6	29	51	13
Pasture	4	9	27	47	13
Peanuts	0	0	5	43	52
Soybeans	4	10	29	42	15

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Rice harvest was nearing completion. Soybean harvest was in full swing. Corn harvest is behind, and some farmers have decided to harvest rice and leave corn in the field.”

- Stewart Runsick, Clay County

“Several fields had their last cuttings of hay last week. Rice and soybean harvest was in full swing as the weather finally gave us a break. Pastures were being planted with wheat, ryegrass and other annuals.”

- Kevin Lawson, Faulkner County

“Soybean producers have reported mold damage due to recent rains and humidity causing significant deductions at grain elevators.”

- Ernest Bradley, Lee County

“Harvest resumed after 7 days of rain and cloudy weather. Mature soybeans are experiencing severe weather damage. Some rice and corn fields that hadn’t been harvested began sprouting. Final hay cuttings have been made.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Though rainfall continues to be short, fall temperatures and sun angle have reduced evaporation of soil water. Producers were doing late cuttings of hay fields to make up for lost mid-season production due to drought conditions. Quality will be severely reduced, but volume is more important for winter demand.”

- Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending October 7, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	79.4	67.0	73.2	62.4	10.8	0.00	0	(NA)	2.69	(NA)
Lead Hill	84.1	63.6	73.9	60.6	13.3	0.01	1	-0.86	3.33	-0.44
Winslow	79.0	67.9	73.4	(NA)	(NA)	0.08	2	(NA)	3.49	(NA)
Extreme/Average	80.8	66.2	73.5	61.5	12.0	0.03	2	-0.86	3.17	-0.44
North Central										
Calico Rock	84.4	62.1	73.3	62.0	11.3	0.00	0	-0.95	6.45	2.43
Evening Shade	81.7	61.3	71.5	63.7	7.1	(NA)	0	-0.41	1.24	-1.95
Gilbert	86.3	63.7	75.0	63.2	11.8	(NA)	0	-0.88	1.20	-2.77
Mammoth Spring	86.0	61.5	73.8	61.4	12.4	0.00	0	-0.77	1.82	-1.79
Mountain Home	86.9	65.3	76.1	63.2	12.9	0.00	0	-0.83	1.21	-2.62
Mountain View	85.6	66.6	76.1	63.6	12.5	0.20	1	-0.77	2.52	-1.40
Extreme/Average	85.1	63.4	74.3	62.9	11.3	0.05	1	-0.77	2.41	-1.35
Northeast										
Corning	89.1	66.4	77.8	64.3	13.5	0.00	0	-0.91	2.56	-0.98
Jonesboro	88.0	64.8	76.4	64.6	11.8	0.00	0	-0.55	4.30	1.59
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4.36	2.17
Newport	85.1	67.6	76.4	65.1	11.3	0.00	0	-0.80	4.93	1.92
Pocahontas	87.3	57.6	72.4	63.3	9.1	0.00	0	-0.90	2.36	-1.09
Searcy	85.8	68.6	77.2	65.1	11.8	0.54	1	-0.14	8.73	5.63
Extreme/Average	87.1	65.0	76.0	64.7	11.5	0.11	1	-0.66	4.54	1.54
West Central										
Booneville	86.5	68.2	77.3	65.5	11.8	(NA)	0	-0.84	5.70	1.88
Dardanelle	86.0	67.0	76.5	66.5	10.0	0.08	1	(NA)	5.54	(NA)
Mena	83.0	66.9	74.9	64.0	10.9	0.01	1	-1.23	3.00	-1.75
Subiaco	89.1	67.9	78.5	65.6	12.9	0.00	0	-0.88	2.08	-1.65
Waldron	86.0	66.7	76.4	64.1	12.2	0.26	1	-0.63	4.86	1.14
Extreme/Average	86.1	67.3	76.7	65.2	11.6	0.09	1	-0.90	4.24	-0.10
Central										
Alum Fork	83.9	66.0	74.9	65.3	9.6	0.02	1	-1.06	6.76	2.57
Cabot	87.9	65.1	76.5	66.1	10.4	0.05	1	-0.86	7.86	4.64
Conway	87.6	66.1	76.9	65.6	11.3	(NA)	0	-0.73	5.59	2.76
Hot Springs	86.2	68.8	77.5	66.6	10.6	0.00	0	-0.75	5.47	1.81
Morrilton	88.3	67.6	77.9	65.0	12.9	0.00	0	-0.88	3.85	0.55
Extreme/Average	86.8	66.7	76.7	65.7	11.0	0.02	1	-0.86	5.91	2.47
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	88.0	70.1	79.1	66.6	12.4	0.43	2	-0.39	4.50	1.69
Keo	85.5	65.2	75.4	67.1	7.8	0.36	1	-0.15	6.38	3.60
Stuttgart	87.8	68.4	78.1	66.7	11.1	0.92	1	0.43	6.14	3.68
West Memphis	88.0	68.8	78.4	66.7	11.7	0.00	0	-0.48	2.48	0.20
Extreme/Average	87.3	68.1	77.7	66.6	10.7	0.43	2	-0.15	4.88	2.29
Southwest										
Ashdown	87.7	69.0	78.4	(NA)	(NA)	0.29	1	-0.74	5.51	1.63
De Queen	82.3	66.3	74.3	66.6	7.0	0.07	2	-0.36	4.97	1.69
Hope	86.6	66.3	76.4	66.8	9.6	0.00	0	-1.04	5.28	1.70
Murfreesboro	85.6	65.6	75.6	65.1	10.4	0.67	1	-0.42	6.06	2.27
Nashville	87.3	67.0	77.1	68.2	8.9	0.69	1	-0.39	5.70	2.00
Extreme/Average	85.9	66.8	76.4	66.7	9.0	0.34	2	-0.59	5.50	1.86
South Central										
Camden	86.0	65.5	75.8	66.7	9.2	0.00	0	-0.59	4.47	1.39
Fordyce	86.7	66.7	76.7	65.4	11.3	0.00	0	-1.05	4.18	0.69
Magnolia	83.3	65.7	74.5	67.4	6.5	0.05	1	-0.40	5.20	2.73
Prescott	81.0	59.0	70.0	66.2	2.7	0.02	1	-0.14	5.82	2.96
Sparkman	86.1	67.6	76.9	65.3	11.6	0.00	0	-0.99	3.18	0.01
Extreme/Average	84.6	64.9	74.8	66.2	8.3	0.01	1	-0.63	4.57	1.56
Southeast										
Crossett	92.7	70.4	81.6	66.9	14.7	0.33	1	-0.48	3.02	-0.07
Eudora	92.0	69.0	80.5	70.0	10.5	(NA)	0	-0.97	2.09	-1.43
Pine Bluff	87.3	67.9	77.6	67.7	9.9	0.36	1	-0.71	5.84	2.15
Portland	89.4	68.3	78.9	68.0	10.8	0.08	2	-0.87	1.78	-1.44
Rohwer	87.4	71.1	79.3	67.5	11.8	1.02	1	0.22	1.93	-0.75
Extreme/Average	89.8	69.3	79.6	68.0	11.5	0.45	2	-0.56	2.93	-0.31
State	86.0	66.4	76.2	65.3	10.7	0.17	1	-0.65	4.29	0.91

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.